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and I discussed ways to size General Tighe's request for an interagency paper on Prospects for Berlin down to something useful for national intelligence to do (for policy users generally as well as defense contingency planning.) Then talked to bf DE and found Jim quite relaxed about the probability of considerable negotiating room in what Defense actually wants and needs on Berlin from National Intelligence. We agreed to let NIE 4-1, "Warsaw Pact Concepts and Capabilities in Going to War in Europe: Implications for Warning of War in Europe; come out, allow defense users to see how far that takes them on their Berlin needs, and then talk again with Jim about what more might be needed on prospects for Berlin.

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